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PROVIDING FOR THE CONVEYANCE BY THE UNITED STATES TO FULTON COUNTY, A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF GEORGIA, OF CERTAIN LAND IN SAID COUNTY

JUNE 30, 1952.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered to be printed

Mr. THORNBERRY, from the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany H. R. 8272]

The Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 8272) to provide for the conveyance by the United States to Fulton County, a political subdivision of Georgia, of certain lands in said county, having considered the same, report favorably thereon without amendment and recommend that the bill do pass.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE,
THE SECRETARY OF COMMERCE,
Washington, June 30, 1952.

HON. ROBERT CROSSER,
*Chairman, Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce,
House of Representatives, Washington, D. C.*

DEAR CONGRESSMAN CROSSER: This is in response to your letter of June 20, 1952, requesting the views of the Department of Commerce on H. R. 8272, a bill to provide for the conveyance by the United States to Fulton County, a political subdivision of Georgia, of certain land in said county.

This bill would authorize and direct the Secretary of Commerce to convey a strip of land approximately 88 feet wide, running across property owned by the United States, upon which are located warehouses used by the Civil Aeronautics Administration. The land is required by the county (which includes the city of Atlanta) for the completion of a highway which will bypass the main business section of the city. The road has been practically completed except for a short section of approximately one-fourth mile, which includes the strip of land described in the bill. Since the highway is not a Federal-aid project, the right-of-way cannot be conveyed under the Federal Highway Act.

The tract which would be conveyed under this bill includes parts of existing buildings and facilities. The bill authorizes the Secretary of Commerce to require

as a condition of the conveyance that the county arrange for the relocation or reconstruction of the affected structures and for the performance of such other terms and conditions as may be desirable.

Since this land is required by Fulton County for what appears to be a necessary highway project, and since the bill would grant sufficient discretion to the Secretary of Commerce to adequately protect the interests of the United States, the Department of Commerce has no objection to the enactment of H. R. 8272.

We are advised by the Bureau of the Budget that the Bureau has no objection to the presentation of this report.

Sincerely yours,

THOS. W. DAVIS,
Acting Secretary of Commerce.

